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§3–808.

(a) A person may not file a lien or an encumbrance in a public or private record against the real or personal property of another if the person knows that the lien or encumbrance is:

(1) false; or

(2) contains or is based on a materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation.

(b) A person who violates this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to:

(1) for a first violation, imprisonment not exceeding 1 year or a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or both; and

(2) for each subsequent violation, imprisonment not exceeding 5 years or a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or both.

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